

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

STATE SENATOR LENA C. TAYLOR



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Week of Dec 8— Dec 14



COMMUNITY ALERT

Are you or someone you know looking to start a non-profit?

On Saturday, December 14th at 9 AM the Wisconsin Black Chamber of Commerce is hosting an instructional class

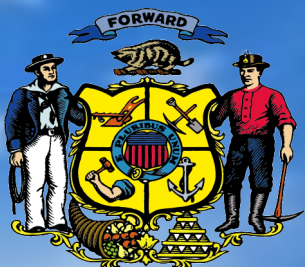
For more information and to sign up visit:

www.twbcc.com

Dear Friend,

Thank you for reading the legislative update. I hope you find the information provided here useful.

As Always, I'm
Here to Serve!



UPCOMING SPECIAL SESSION

Next week, my colleagues and I will come to the floor of the Senate to take up Governor Walker's special session bill aimed at fixing the crisis that his health care policies created. Originally, Governor Walker's plan kicked 72,000 people off of BadgerCare at the beginning of 2014. The legislation Governor Walker is pushing now will allow those 72,000 people to remain on BadgerCare until March 31st, but that's at the expense of 83,000 other Wisconsinites losing their health care coverage. All of these people, all 155,000 of them, are from low-income, hard-working families, striving for the American dream. Governor Walker's plan pits these two groups against one another. The solution to this no-win legislation is simple. We must accept the federal tax dollars paid in by Wisconsinites to strengthen our BadgerCare program and ensure that neither of these low-income populations are left without access to affordable health care. Our hard earned income tax money goes to Washington and we should get our share back, otherwise people in Illinois and Florida will take our tax dollars. I am advocating for the Democratic alternative to this legislation. We would provide affordable health care plans to more low income families, while saving the state \$86 million in the next two years alone. Studies have shown that Wisconsin could create 10,000 new jobs by accepting the Federal funding. Wisconsin will prosper if our people are on secure economic footing and that starts with ensuring our citizens have access to affordable health care.





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UNITED WAY EXCEEDS DONATION GOAL

The United Way of Greater Milwaukee announced this week that it had raised over \$52.8 million this year! Thanks to their hard work and the support from their donors, their staff and volunteers can help better our community through youth and family education and programs, housing and food assistance, intimate partner violence programming, older adult support, and behavioral and mental health programs. Congratulations, United Way! Thank you for all the work you do to make our community better.

SENATE SCHOLAR PROGRAM

The Senate Scholarship Program is a week long program that allows high school juniors and seniors to get an inside look at their state legislature. Scholars will stay in Madison for a week of exciting scheduled programming, which includes attending committee hearings, participating in mock legislative activities, and getting a taste of the local culture in Madison! For more information on the Senate Scholarship Program, visit <http://legis.wisconsin.gov/senate/scc/ssp/senatescholar.asp>.

Wise Words of the Week!

Contact Us!

**We Enjoy
Hearing
From You!**

"Help others achieve their dreams and you will achieve yours."

—Les Brown



"In a country well governed, poverty is something to be ashamed of. In a country badly governed, wealth is something to be ashamed of."

—Confucius

